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1. The Communist Party has recently set up a special section called the Committee for the Assistance of Veterans and Soldiers (C.A.R.S.). The central headquarters of this section is in Rome and in the same building as the central Party headquarters, Via delle Botteghe Oscure 18.
2. The director of the section is Arrigo Boldrini, agrarian expert and deputy to the Constituent Assembly, from Bologna. He is assisted by Danilo Dolfi and by Francesco Morandini (formerly an Undersecretary in the Ministry of National Defense). [REDACTED] the C.A.R.S. is ramified throughout the entire peripheral organization of the Party in the main centers of Italy. This special section, to which considerable importance is given within the Party, has the function of attracting into the Communist orbit, by means of assistance and other attractions, veterans and men still in the service. 25X1X
3. At the time of writing, the new C.A.R.S. is reportedly contemplating the constitution of a Military Studies Center for the consideration of the various military problems involved in the reorganization of the Armed Forces, and for the purpose of furnishing to the political elements the necessary facts to be used in the Constituent Assembly during the discussion of military problems.
4. As the section has been recently established, it is still in the organizational phase and it is not yet possible to make any predictions as to its future developments. Numerous officials in permanent service and in retirement in both the Army and the Navy, and to the greatest extent in the Air Corps have been called to the Military Studies Center. Among these is Colonel Vetere, of the Judiciary Section of the Army.
5. Colonel Moscatelli (President of the Associazione Nazionale Partigiani Italiani) was originally charged with the organization of the C.A.R.S., but gave way to Boldrini following his nomination as Undersecretary in the De Gasperi Cabinet which fell early in May.

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